Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The Salvation Army, the largest charitable organization in the world, is dedicated to meeting the basic human needs of food, clothing, shelter, and hope; and,

Whereas, The Salvation Army strives to comfort those in need and to provide the opportunity for positive life changes for families and children in desperate situations; and,

Whereas, During the past year, the Rapid City Salvation Army provided holiday assistance of food baskets, toys, and clothing; coats for over 1,000 kids annually through the Coats for Kids Program; summer camping opportunities; disaster services; and financial assistance to 5,594 individuals representing 1,421 families; and,

Whereas, The Rapid City Salvation Army, in recognition of 100 years of existence in the community, will host a community celebration on October 20 and 21, 2007, with a free concert featuring the Chicago Staff Band of The Salvation Army; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper for the Governor to recognize the numerous contributions this organization has made to the community of Rapid City and the surrounding area over the past 100 years:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 20 and 21, 2007, as

RAPID CITY SALVATION ARMY DAYS

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventeenth Day of October in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State